school's chief instructor, assistant chief instructor, or check instructor:

- (1) Prior to receiving authorization to train students in a flight training course, must—
- (i) Accomplish a review of and receive a briefing on the objectives and standards of that training course; and
- (ii) Accomplish an initial proficiency check in each make and model of aircraft used in that training course in which that person provides training; and
- (2) Every 12 calendar months after the month in which the person last complied with the requirements of paragraph (d)(1)(ii) of this section, accomplish a recurrent proficiency check in one of the aircraft in which the person trains students.

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§141.81 Ground training.

- (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, each instructor who is assigned to a ground training course must hold a flight or ground instructor certificate, or a commercial pilot certificate with a lighter-than-air rating, with the appropriate rating for that course of training.
- (b) A person who does not meet the requirements of paragraph (a) of this section may be assigned ground training duties in a ground training course, if:
- (1) The chief instructor who is assigned to that ground training course finds the person qualified to give that training; and
- (2) The training is given while under the supervision of the chief instructor or the assistant chief instructor who is present at the facility when the training is given.
- (c) An instructor may not be used in a ground training course until that instructor has been briefed on the objectives and standards of that course by the chief instructor, assistant chief instructor, or check instructor.

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§141.83 Quality of training.

- (a) Each pilot school or provisional pilot school must meet the following requirements:
- (1) Comply with its approved training course; and
- (2) Provide training of such quality that meets the requirements of §141.5(d) of this part.
- (b) The failure of a pilot school or provisional pilot school to maintain the quality of training specified in paragraph (a) of this section may be the basis for suspending or revoking that school's certificate.
- (c) When requested by the Administrator, a pilot school or provisional pilot school must allow the FAA to administer any knowledge test, practical test, stage check, or end-of-course test to its students.
- (d) When a stage check or end-ofcourse test is administered by the FAA under the provisions of paragraph (c) of this section, and the student has not completed the training course, then that test will be based on the standards prescribed in the school's approved training course.
- (e) When a practical test or knowledge test is administered by the FAA under the provisions of paragraph (c) of this section, to a student who has completed the school's training course, that test will be based upon the areas of operation approved by the Administrator.

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\$141.85 Chief instructor responsibilities.

- (a) A chief instructor designated for a pilot school or provisional pilot school is responsible for:
- (1) Certifying each student's training record, graduation certificate, stage check and end-of-course test reports, and recommendation for course completion, unless the duties are delegated by the chief instructor to an assistant chief instructor or recommending instructor:
- (2) Ensuring that each certificated flight instructor, certificated ground instructor, or commercial pilot with a lighter-than-air rating passes an initial

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proficiency check prior to that instructor being assigned instructing duties in the school's approved training course, and thereafter that the instructor passes a recurrent proficiency check every 12 calendar months after the month in which the initial test was accomplished;

- (3) Ensuring that each student accomplishes the required stage checks and end-of-course tests in accordance with the school's approved training course; and
- (4) Maintaining training techniques, procedures, and standards for the school that are acceptable to the Administrator.
- (b) The chief instructor or an assistant chief instructor must be available at the pilot school or, if away from the pilot school, be available by telephone, radio, or other electronic means during the time that training is given for an approved training course.
- (c) The chief instructor may delegate authority for conducting stage checks, end-of-course tests, and flight instructor proficiency checks to the assistant chief instructor or a check instructor.

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§ 141.87 Change of chief instructor.

Whenever a pilot school or provisional pilot school makes a change of designation of its chief instructor, that school:

- (a) Must immediately provide the FAA Flight Standards District Office that has jurisdiction over the area in which the school is located with written notification of the change:
- (b) May conduct training without a chief instructor for that training course for a period not to exceed 60 days while awaiting the designation and approval of another chief instructor:
- (c) May, for a period not to exceed 60 days, have the stage checks and end-of-course tests administered by:
- (1) The training course's assistant chief instructor, if one has been designated;
- (2) The training course's check instructor, if one has been designated;
- (3) An FAA inspector; or
- (4) An examiner.

- (d) Must, after 60 days without a chief instructor, cease operations and surrender its certificate to the Administrator; and
- (e) May have its certificate reinstated, upon:
- (1) Designating and approving another chief instructor:
- (2) Showing it meets the requirements of §141.27(a)(2) of this part; and
- (3) Applying for reinstatement on a form and in a manner prescribed by the Administrator.

§ 141.89 Maintenance of personnel, facilities, and equipment.

The holder of a pilot school certificate or provisional pilot school certificate may not provide training to a student who is enrolled in an approved course of training unless:

- (a) Each airport, aircraft, and facility necessary for that training meets the standards specified in the holder's approved training course outline and the appropriate requirements of this part; and
- (b) Except as provided in §141.87 of this part, each chief instructor, assistant chief instructor, check instructor, or instructor meets the qualifications specified in the holder's approved course of training and the appropriate requirements of this part.

§141.91 Satellite bases.

The holder of a pilot school certificate or provisional pilot school certificate may conduct ground training or flight training in an approved course of training at a base other than its main operations base if:

- (a) An assistant chief instructor is designated for each satellite base, and that assistant chief instructor is available at that base or, if away from the premises, by telephone, radio, or other electronic means during the time that training is provided for an approved training course;
- (b) The airport, facilities, and personnel used at the satellite base meet the appropriate requirements of subpart B of this part and its approved training course outline;
- (c) The instructors are under the direct supervision of the chief instructor